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St. Neots Urban District Council

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1946,

BY

EDWARD J. CROSS, M.D., D.P.H.,

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Sanitary condition of your district for the year ending 31st December, 1946.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

EDWARD J. CROSS.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

AREA (in acres)—ST. NEOTS 996, EYNESBURY 395, total 1,391.

POPULATION.—The Registrar General's estimate of the resident population for 1946 is 4,709.

THE RATEABLE VALUE of the District on 31st December, 1946, was £24,576. The estimated value of a penny rate is £97.

THE NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES is as follows:—

ST. NEOTS—		
Private Houses ...	857	
Shops, etc., with Private Houses attached ...	105	
		962
EYNESBURY—		
Private Houses ...	402	
Shops, etc., with Private Houses attached ...	16	
		418
Total ...		1380

CENSUS, 1931.—ST. NEOTS: Population 3,081; Inhabited Houses 830; Families 832. EYNESBURY: Population 1,296; Inhabited Houses 323; Families 323.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY

CLERK to the U.D.C.: Mr. Thos. Spencer.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. H. Walker.

It is greatly to be regretted that Mr. Spencer died last March and that owing to ill-health Mr. Walker has forwarded his resignation. Both these gentlemen have performed invaluable service during their long tenure of office.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH: E. J. CROSS, T.D., M.D., D.P.H., who resigned on 31st March, 1947.

SANITARY INSPECTOR, SURVEYOR AND MEAT INSPECTOR: Mr. C. Glover, M.R.S. Ins., M.S.I. Association. Tel.: St. Neots 122.

WATERWORKS ENGINEER: Mr. S. Mawby. Tel.: St. Neots 122.

PUBLIC ANALYST: Dr. S. Greenburgh, D.Sc., F.I.C., P.H.D. Tel.: Cambridge 2097.

REGISTRAR AND VACCINATION OFFICER: Mr. Bevan. Tel.: St. Neots 31.

Extensive use is made of the Emergency Public Health Laboratory at Cambridge. Tel.: Cambridge 55526.

LIVE BIRTHS.

93 live births were recorded in the Urban District during the year ending 31st December, 1946. 56 of these were male and 37 female. 7 were illegitimate (male 4, female 3).

STILL BIRTHS.

5 male and 1 female still births (all legitimate) were also recorded.

BIRTH RATE.

The estimated population is 4,709; therefore, the district birth rate is 20.3 (the same as last year).

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	Males.	Females.
Tuberculosis (non-pulmonary)	1	-
Cancer	10	6
Heart Disease	7	5
Other Circulatory Disease	1	-
Intra Cranial Vascular Lesion	2	5
Bronchitis	3	3
Other Respiratory Disease	1	-
Pneumonia	1	-
Ulcer of Stomach	2	-
Diarrhœa under 2 years	-	1
Other Digestive Disease	-	2
Nephritis	1	-
Premature Birth	2	-
Suicide	-	1
Influenza	-	2
Other Violence	-	2
Other Causes	2	3
Total	33	30

The estimated population being 4,709 and the number of deaths 63, the death rate for the district is 11.2.

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

3 were recorded (all legitimate).

INCIDENCE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

During the year ending December, 1946, the following cases were notified:—

Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	...	5
Tuberculosis (Non-Pulmonary)	...	2
Scarlet Fever	...	2
Whooping Cough	...	3
Measles	...	11
Pneumonia	...	3
Erysipelas	...	3
Infective Hepatitis	...	39
Puerperal Pyrexia	...	1
	Total	69

TUBERCULOSIS.

On 31st December, 1946, there were twenty-two cases of Tuberculosis on the register, viz., 15 Pulmonary (8 male and 7 female) and 7 Non-Pulmonary (3 male and 4 female).

The population of the Urban District being 4,377, this means that about one person in every two hundred is afflicted. This is, I believe, about the average for the County.

DIPHTHERIA.

During December I visited all the Schools and offered to immunise any children whose parents wished them to be immunised. The result was as follows:—

School.	Average Attendance.	Number now Immunised.
Eynesbury C. of E.	172	174
St. Neots C. of E. (Girls)	86	92
St. Neots C. of E. (Boys)	50	34
St. Neots Council	224	187
Total	532	487

Therefore 487 out of a total of 532 children are now immunised, i.e., 91.5 per cent.

The last case of Diphtheria notified in the district was on June 8th, 1942.

The last case of Enteric Fever notified in the Urban District was on 5th November, 1938.

IMMUNISATION.

To be really effective the number of children immunised in any one year ought roughly to correspond with the number of live births in the preceding year.

During the year ending 31st December, 1944, the number of live births recorded in the Urban District was 89.

The number of children (age group 0-5 years) immunised against Diphtheria was 37 for the year ending 31st December, 1945.

The number of live births during 1945 was 98.

The number (age group 0-5) immunised during 1946 was 30.

Therefore the number of children being immunised against Diphtheria is getting less. This is greatly to be regretted because immunisation cannot be guaranteed to protect for ever and it is possible for a child who was immunised during infancy only to contract Diphtheria in a mild form and pass it on in a grave form to an unprotected person. The same thing may occur with regard to vaccination. A person vaccinated in infancy only may contract Smallpox in a mild form (perhaps unrecognisable), e.g., Grimsby, 1946, and pass it on to another person who has not been vaccinated or only in infancy.

The Hunts. County Council has now arranged that Free Immunisation may be carried out by the family doctor and will supply the immunising material and re-imburse the doctor at the rate of 3s. 6d. per injection. This arrangement will have effect as from 1st April, 1947. I believe that this will increase the number of immunisations.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

Diphtheria Immunisation of Children Under 5 Years of Age.

At the last County Council meeting a recommendation was approved to extend the scheme for free immunisation to cover all children under 5 years of age, whether the immunisation is carried out at County Council Clinics or by the family doctor at his surgery. The County Council will supply Immunisation Record Cards and immunising material, and will re-imburse the doctors at the rate of 3s. 6d. per injection. This arrangement will have effect as from 1st April, 1947, and will be operative throughout the County. Medical Practitioners

should submit accounts to me quarterly accompanied by a completed immunisation record card for each case in which payment is claimed, the first return being made at the end of June for the period 1st April to 30th June.

Yours sincerely,

R. L. BUCHANAN,

County Medical Officer.

CLINICS.

The Mental Treatment Specialist may be consulted at the Bedford County Hospital every Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. and at the Three Counties Hospital, Arlesey, every Thursday at 2.30 p.m.

TUBERCULOSIS.

The Chest Consultant holds Clinics at the Out-Patients' Department of the County Hospital, Huntingdon, on the second and fourth Thursdays in the month at 10.0 a.m.

EYE CLINICS.

The Ophthalmic Surgeon attends the Clinic at the rear of the Old Grammar School, Huntingdon, on the first and third Fridays in the month at 10.0 a.m.

ORTHOPÆDIC CLINICS.

The Orthopædic Surgeon attends the Clinic at the rear of the Old Grammar School, Huntingdon, on the second and fourth Tuesdays in the month at 10.0 a.m.

EAR, NOSE AND THROAT.

All cases recommended to see an Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist are sent to Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, or Peterborough Memorial Hospital.

Appointments for all the above Clinics are made through the County Medical Officer.

VENEREAL DISEASE.

Clinics at 28, Fitzwilliam Street, Peterborough. Males—Tuesdays and Fridays, 6—7 p.m.; Females—Tuesdays and Fridays, 3.30—6 p.m.

Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge. Males—Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. respectively; Females—Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. respectively.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY HOSPITAL X-RAY SERVICE.

Thursday afternoons at 2 o'clock. Routine session for non-urgent cases, including old fractures, chest cases, barium enemas and kidney examinations (for the two latter, appointments are necessary).

Thursday mornings (by appointment). Barium meals at 11 o'clock, with final examination at 5 o'clock.

Gall Bladder cases by appointment.

The Department will be open for urgent cases on Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday at 10.45 a.m.

It is requested that only very urgent cases be sent on Wednesday mornings, when the X-Ray Department will be normally closed.

All appointments should be made through the Matron.

WEEKLY CLINICS are held as follows:—

Tuesdays, 3 p.m., Dr. C. F. L. Patterson—Skin.

Thursdays, 10.15 a.m., Mr. H. B. Roderick—Orthopædic and General Surgery.

Thursdays, 10 a.m., Hunts. County Council—Chest Clinic.

Fridays, 10 a.m., Mr. S. Riddiough—Genito Urinary and General Surgery.

Fridays, 9.30 a.m., Mr. J. H. Threlfall—Dental.
Saturdays, 9.45 a.m., Mr. L. Phillips—Obstetrical and Gynæcological.

MONTHLY CLINICS.

1st Tuesdays, 10.30 a.m., Mr. R. Weedon Butler—Orthopædic.
2nd Tuesdays, 10 a.m., Mr. A. S. H. Walford—Ear, Nose and Throat.
4th Tuesdays, 10 a.m., Dr. P. G. Ruston—Ditto.

(Signed) E. BRYANT,
Assistant Secretary.

11th April, 1946.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Red Cross County Office,
St. Mary's Street,
Huntingdon,
August 29th, 1946.

Dear Dr. Cross,

I am writing to let you know that the Hunts. Branch of the Red Cross are opening a Physio-therapy Clinic at St. Neots on September 7th. We have secured rooms for the Clinic in the premises of Messrs. Fisher, Market Square, St. Neots.

Mrs. Fletcher, the Masseuse, will be in attendance; she is a State Registered Nurse and a member of the Chartered Society of Masseuses.

The Clinic will be open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m.

We shall be glad to provide treatment for any of your patients should you desire it.

Any patient sent by a doctor will be given treatment.

The following treatments can be given: Massage, Swedish Remedial Exercises, Radiant Heat, Ultra-Violet Ray, Infra Red, Wax Baths.

I shall be glad to supply you with any further information if you desire it.

Yours sincerely,
E. MAURICE,
County Secretary.

THE BRITISH RED CROSS PHYSIO-THERAPY CLINIC at St. Neots opened in September and has provided a much needed want for the town and district. Treatments are in the capable hands of Mrs. Fletcher, a highly qualified Masseuse. She was helped for some months by Mrs. Huckle, who unfortunately has had to give up the work on account of her health. During the last eight months many different cases have been successfully treated, such as fractures, fibrositis, arthritis, amputations, general debility, etc. 318 patients have attended and the following number of treatments given: 1,320 electrical, 1,144 massage, 156 ultra violet light, 811 exercises. The business side of the Clinic is run by the County Red Cross, helped by a representative Local Committee.

(Signed) M. MACDONELL,
Vice-President, St. Neots.

19-4-47.

NURSING IN THE HOME, 1946-1947.

The Shrubbery,
St. Neots, Hunts.,
April 18th, 1947.

Report on the St. Neots and Eynesbury District Nursing Association for the Medical Officer of Health:—

The two Nurse Malins (sisters-in-law) have carried out their duties in their usual competent manner and we have received great praise for their work. The District Superintendent reports how well kept their

equipment and books are. They have attended 151 general cases, involving 2,340 visits; 17 midwifery cases, involving 269 visits; 42 maternity cases, involving 716 visits; 391 ante-natal examinations; 156 child welfare visits; total of 3,872 visits in the year. Mrs. Peckover, of Staploe, also attended two septic cases. We are expecting our Nurses to retire in twelve months' time and when that happens we have no house to accommodate any new Nurses as our Nurses live together iu their own house. A house with a garage (if possible for greater convenience for night calls and urgent cases) is needed and we have applied to the Council for one and we are hoping that they will help us in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

EVELYN POVEY,

President.

HOUSING.

Some new houses have been built, but there is still a very great shortage. Many houses are unfit for human habitation and incapable of repair at reasonable expenses (H.A. 1936, Sec. II).

The Council are compelled to allow these to be occupied and cannot order repairs which they consider unreasonable, but it does not seem right to me that the owners are receiving what I consider to be exhorbitant rents for such miserable hovels.

In my opinion much of the good which is done by providing the school children with milk or meals is undone by the unhealthy environment in which they are compelled to live at home.

WATER ANALYSIS.—TOWN SUPPLY.

Several samples have been sent to the E.M.S. Lab. for bacteriological examination. The report has invariably been "This water is very satisfactory." Three samples sent after the recent flood (16-3-47) revealed no impurity.

RAINFALL DURING 1946
(Staughton Manor Readings).

St. Neots, 21.86 ins.; Great Barford, 25.26 ins.; Great Staughton, 26.35 ins.

January, 0.86 ins.; February, 1.82 ins.; March, 1.12 ins.; April, 0.78 ins.; May, 2.25 ins.; June, 2.61 ins.; July, 1.31 ins.; August, 3.95 ins.; September, 3.22 ins.; October, 1.92 ins.; November, 4.67 ins.; December, 1.84; total 26.35 ins.

1929, 19.99; 1930, 23.07; 1931, 22.51; 1932, 19.86; 1933, 16.74; 1934, 17.28; 1935, 21.77; 1936, 22.39; 1937, 27.70; 1938, 19.08; 1939, 25.82; 1940, 19.76; 1941, 22.55; 1942, 19.88; 1943, 15.78; 1944, 17.82; 1945, 18.29; 1946, 26.35. An average of 20.92 ins. for the 18 years. This is slightly less than the average for Bedford (22.04 ins.).

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Name of Town, Village or Hamlet.—St. Neots and Eynesbury.

Source of Supply, viz., Public Supply, Wells or Ponds, etc.—Both Parishes of St. Neots and Eynesbury are supplied by two shallow wells sunk into the gravel. These wells are situate near the South-West Boundary of the Parish of Eynesbury. Pumping direct into the mains is done by an oil engine at No. 1 Pumping Station and by an automatic electrical installation at No. 2 Pumping Station. A very small reservoir helps to conserve a certain amount of water in case of emergency.

Sufficiency or otherwise.—The supply has been maintained by using the emergency well, which was sunk into the gravel during 1944,

otherwise there would have been the possibility of a partial failure of the supply on several occasions. A new scheme is contemplated and it is expected that work will commence on this project during 1946.

Quality of Water.—Satisfactory.

Whether Analysis has been made during the year and the result of such Analysis.—Six samples have been submitted to the Emergency Public Health Laboratory, Cambridge. Five were satisfactory (no coliform bacilli were detected in 100 mls.). One from No. 2 Pumping Station was suspicious (4 coliform bacilli per 100 mls.). This water is always bacteriologically examined after a heavy rain following a prolonged drought.

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Public Health Department,
Council Offices,
St. Neots, Hunts.

To the Chairman and Members of the
St. Neots Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

I beg to present to you my Annual Report of the work in the Sanitary Inspector's Department during the year 1946.

From the figures and statistics produced it is fairly obvious that every effort has been made to keep the work up to date although staffing difficulties have considerably affected the efficient running of all the departments and a great amount of overtime has had to be carried out.

During the year progress has been made with regard to housing and the erection of 14 houses on the Cambridge Road Site commenced in June, 1946, two of these houses were occupied and several others were nearing completion at the end of the year.

Not much progress was made in respect of the proposed new Sewerage and Water Schemes and it is hoped that during 1947 I shall be able to report some headway with the schemes which have remained on paper for some considerable time, particularly the proposed new Joint Sewerage Scheme with the Bedford Rural District Council.

A perusal of the Meat Inspector's Report will reveal a considerable amount of work carried out at the Ministry of Food Emergency Slaughterhouse, Eynesbury, St. Neots, this again has necessitated overtime, including Sunday work.

May I take this opportunity of thanking the members of the Council for their help and support and the Council's Officers for valued co-operation during the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
CHAS. W. GLOVER,
Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS AND MILKSHOPS ORDER.
SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Dairymen, Cowkeepers and Purveyors of Milk (Milk Sellers) in District 15, No. registered 15, No. of Inspections of Premises 64, No. of Inspections during milking time 20, No. of premises requiring white-washing, Cleansing, etc., 4, No. in which requirements of Sanitary Authority were carried out 4.

Have regulations been adopted ?—Yes.

Premises with Well Water Supply 1, No. of, from which water analysed 15, Results of Analysis—Good 14, Passable 1, Condemned 0.

CHAS. W. GLOVER, Sanitary Inspector.

SANITARY TABLE

WATER SUPPLY

Any development during 1946 ?—No.
Any insufficiency, and where ?—No.
Any curtailment ?—No.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

Any developments during 1946 ?—No.
Developments still needed—Extensive renewals and additions to system urgently required.
Any inadequacy of Sewerage Disposal Works or complaints as to smells ?—No serious complaints to report.
No. of sink wastes disconnected during 1946—Nil, trapped 2.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

No. of Privies with open Middens—Nil. No. of Pail or Tub Closets—525. No. of Privies with covered Middens—20. No. of Water Closets—660. No. of additional Closets newly constructed for old property in 1946 (w.c.'s)—6. No. of Closets constructed in 1946 for new houses (w.c.'s)—2.

SCAVENGING

How is refuse disposed of ?—Tips (controlled). Total annual cost £620.
Is there any inadequacy, and where ?—No. Weekly collections throughout the district.
Any change during 1946 ?—Conversion from horse drawn to petrol driven vehicles.

NUISANCE INSPECTION

Total No. of Inspections made in 1946—587.
Informal notices served—36. Complied with 33.
Total No. of Nuisances in hand at close of 1945—11, at close of 1946—14.
Total No. of Nuisances reported during 1946—154, abated during 1946—151.
Total No. of Summonses or other legal proceedings—Nil.

KNACKERS' YARDS

No. in district—1. No. on register—1. Total No. of Inspections made—6. General conditions—Satisfactory.
Have the Council declared any other processes to be offensive trades, e.g., Fish-frying, Maggot-breeding, etc. ?—No.

SCHOOLS.

No. of Visits to Schools—12.
Action taken—None.

MILK SUPPLY.

No. of Cowkeepers in District—7.
No. Registered—7.
No. of Milk Sellers—15.
No. Registered—15.
Total No. of Cowsheds—7.
No. of Inspections in 1946—64.
General Condition—Fairly satisfactory.
Approximate No. of Milch Cows in district—93.

OTHER FOODS.

No. of Slaughter Houses—1.
No. Registered—1.
Kind and Condition—M.O.F. Emergency S.H., Satisfactory.

HOUSING, 1946.

Is there any scarcity of houses, and where ?—In common with the rest of the country a general scarcity of houses is prevalent throughout the district.

Any overcrowding of persons in houses ?—Several reported.

No. of cases dealt with—2 cases.

Any special activity in house building, and where ?—Commencement of 14 Permanent Council Houses, St. Neots.

No. of new houses built in 1946—2.

General character—Permanent traditional.

Are there any working-class dwellings erected by the S.A. ?—Yes.

No. and date—2.

Any Town Planning Scheme contemplated ?—Hunts. Joint Planning Committee.

Who has been designated as the Inspecting Officer under Article II of the Housing Regulations, 1910 ?—Sanitary Inspector.

Action under Housing (Inspection of District) Act, 1936—Other ordinary house inspections—65.

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS.

Any smoke nuisances, and where ?—None serious.

No. of smoke observations taken—4.

MISCELLANEOUS.

What Mortuary accommodation (a) for accidents—One belonging to U.D.C. (b) for infectious cases other than at Hospital—None.

No. of Burial Grounds—2.

Are there any Maggot-breeding establishments in District ?—No.

SANITARY STAFF.

Name of Sanitary Inspector—Charles William Glover.

Annual Salary as Inspector—£175 plus bonus and £50 for Meat Inspector.

Other appointments held—Surveyor and Housing Manager.

Salary for such other appointments—£250 including bonus.

Any Assistants?—One youth for clerical and other work as required.

Is Staff sufficient ?—No.

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Total No. of Inspections made	...	587
Total No. of Notices served	...	36
Informal	...	36
Total No. of Complaints received	...	154
Premises, Houses, etc.		
No. Inspected	...	587
Nuisances abated	...	129
Pool, Ditch, Gutter, Watercourse		
No. Inspected	...	16
Nuisances abated	...	8
Animals improperly kept		
No. Inspected	...	1
Nuisances abated	...	1
Privy, Urinal, Cesspool, Ashpit		
No. Inspected	...	13
Nuisances abated	...	13
Drain, Drain-traps, etc., etc.		
No. Inspected	...	43
Nuisances abated	...	30
House, or part thereof, overcrowded		
No. Inspected	...	1
Nuisances abated	...	1

Smoke Nuisances		
No. of observations	...	3
Nuisances abated	...	1
Offensive Accumulations		
No. Inspected	...	7
Nuisances abated	...	7
Other Sanitary Conditions		
No. Inspected	...	73
Nuisances abated	...	68
Slaughter Houses		
No. Licensed or Registered	...	1
	(Ministry of Food)	
No. of Inspections—Visited almost daily for Inspection of Meat		
Offensive Trades (Sec. 112 P. Health Act, 1875)		
No. established	...	1
No. of Inspections	...	6
Infectious Disease		
Houses affected with	...	1
Houses inspected	...	1
No. of Inspections	...	2
Houses Disinfected	...	1
Disinfectant used		Formaldehyde
Lots of Clothing Disinfected	...	1
Pail or Earth Closets		
No. converted to W.C.'s	...	9
Water Closets		
New provided	...	6
Ashbins		
New provided	...	18

FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1937.

Factories		
Total Number on Register (including Bakehouses)		60
Number in which Nuisance abated	...	6
Bakehouses		
No. on Register	...	12
No. in which Nuisance abated	...	2

CHAS. WM. GLOVER, Sanitary Inspector.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

The Clerk to the U.D.C.	St. Neots 122.
The Clerk to the R.D.C.	St. Neots 34.
The M.O.H.	St. Neots 122.
Sanitary Inspector	St. Neots 122.
Ditto (Residence)	St. Neots 108.
Waterworks Engineer	St. Neots 122.
Police	St. Neots 19.
Isolation Hospital	Huntingdon 59.
County Hospital	Huntingdon 89.
County M.O.H.	Huntingdon 81.
Huntingdon C.C. Ambulance	Huntingdon 67.
St. Neots U.D.C. Ambulance	St. Neots 148.
Labour Exchange	St. Neots 175.

LIST OF REGISTERED COWKEEPERS.

Smith, J. R., Manor Farm, Cambridge Street.
Cambers, A. S., 79, Huntingdon Street,
Boswell, A. S., East Street (cows at Sandfields).
Harvey, E., Berkley Street, Eynesbury.
Hall, A., Berkley Street, Eynesbury.
Harvey, W., Luke Street, Eynesbury.
Flint, S., Waterloo Farm, Eynesbury.
Rowley, Priory Park.

LIST OF REGISTERED MILK SELLERS (RETAILERS).

(Shepherd), Wallace, Cambridge Street, St. Neots.
Bowers, S., Bedford Street, St. Neots.
Ayres, F. Shortsands, Cambridge Street, St. Neots.
Gale, C., East Street, St. Neots.
Odell, H., Model Farm, Grafham.
Smith, H., 39, Cambridge Gardens, St. Neots.
Sharp, F., Eynesbury, St. Neots.

LIST OF SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

Bartlett, J., 25, Huntingdon Street. St. Neots.
Bonham and Sons, High Street, St. Neots.
Abraham, G. B., High Street, St. Neots.
Eayrs, W., Priory Lane, St. Neots.
Hunt, D. A., 14, Huntingdon Street, St. Neots.
Neaverson, C. B., High Sttreet, St. Neots.
Stocker, F., St. Mary's Street, Eynesbury.
Sharman and Sons, Berkley Street, Eynesbury (Ministry of Food Slaughterhouse).
Mortimer, W. R., High Street, St. Neots.
Smith, John Rayns, High Street.

The Ministry of Food Slaughterhouse is the only one which is being used.

OFFENSIVE TRADE.

Beeson Bros., 97, Huntingdon Street, (knackers).

FISH FRYERS.

G. Paine, 23, St. Mary's Street, Eynesbury.
L. F. Fortescue, 46, High Street, St. Neots.
C. Wren, High Street, St. Neots.
T. W. Wren, Montagu Square, Eynesbury.

LIST OF FACTORIES.

Atkinson, A. W., High Street, Sawmill.
Bennett, J., Bedford Street, Motor Repairs.
Hunts. Motor Company, Cambridge Street, Motor Engineers.
Huckle, C. H., New Street, Boot Repairs.
Hale, J., High Street, Laundry.
Ibbett, A., South Street, Engineer.
Ireland Bros., New Street, Motors.
James, Mrs. E., Electric Gen., The Pavilion.
Jordan & Addington, L.N.E.R. Station, Grist.

Jordan & Addington, Market Place, Seeds.
Jordan & Addington, The Priory, Grinding.
Jordan & Addington, St. Mary's Street, Mineral Waters.
Fields & Pateman, Huntingdon Street, Motors.
Lynn, H. W., High Street, Machine Repairs.
St. Neots Gas Company, Bedford Street, Gas Works.
St. Neots Co-operative Society, Huntingdon Street, Bakers.
Paine & Co., Bedford Street, Flour Mill.
Paine & Co., Bedford Street, Malting.
Paine & Co., Bedford Street, Malt.
Paine & Co., Brook Street, Malt Extract.
Paine & Co., Brook Street, Bottling.
Paine & Co., Market Place, Flour.
Paine & Co., Market Place, Beer.
Priory Café, Market Place, Baker.
Tomson & Lendrum Ltd., Market Square, Printing Works.
Tebbutt, C. G., St. Mary's Street, Sawmill.
Wright & Woods, Market Place, Motors.
Williamson, T. L., The Priory, Coach Work.
St. Neots Paper Mill, Common Road, Clothing.
Speed, H. Stanley, Market Square, Dress.
Smith, John Rayns, High Street, Bakery, etc.
Bull, H. F. and Sons, New Street, Contractors.
Wrycroft, G. and Sons, Huntingdon Street, Contractors.

LIST OF WORKSHOPS.

Browning, R. W., Tin Plate, etc., Market Square.
Baker, B., Huntingdon Street, Baker.
Brown, C., Baker, Montague Street, Eynesbury.
Chasty, Miss E., Dress, Brook Street.
Clayton, Saddlers, etc., Market Square.
Sharman, C., Tailor, St. Mary's Street, Eynesbury.
Evans and Sons, Builders, Cambridge Street.
Edwards H., Baker, Luke Street.
Forscutt, R. M., Dress, Brook Street.
Knight, F. J., Coal Yard, Priory Road.
Pratt, P. W., Baker, Cambridge Street.
Plum and Sons, Confectioners, High Street.
Kime and Co., Tailors, High Street.
Love, F. C., Baker, St. Mary's Street, Eynesbury.
Pashley, A., Motor Repairs, Cambridge Street.
Riseley, F. G. (Exors.), Draper, High Street.
Shepherd, Baker, South Street.
Townsend Bros., Builders, Cambridge Street.
T. W. Wren, Fish Fryer, Montague Street, Eynesbury.
F. W. Bellamy, Builder, Priory Road.
A. W. Childs, Painter, etc., Church Street.
Corbey, J. and J., New Street, Plumbers.
Eayrs, W., Cycles and Radio, Market Square.
Ashman, H., Cycles, etc., Cambridge Street.

P. J. Williamson, Cycles, South Street.
Webb, Shoe Repairs, Cambridge Street.
Electrical and Radio Supplies, Ltd., High Street.

LIST OF HAIRDRESSERS.

Abnett, Cambridge Street, St. Neots.
Murkett, Huntingdon Street, St. Neots.
Downes, High Street, St. Neots.
Hughes (Sawford), Market Square, St. Neots.
Flanders, Market Square, St. Neots.
Mrs. Cotterell, High Street, St. Neots.
Miss J. R. Ashcroft (Jane), 52, High Street.
New Inn Hotel, Hairdressing Salon, High Street.

LIST OF ICE CREAM RETAILERS.

Priory Café, Market Square, St. Neots.
Miss Fairweather, High Street, St. Neots.
P. J. Williamson, South Street, St. Neots.
"Peacock" Public House, Cambridge Street.
Childs, St. Mary's Street, Eynesbury.
Darrington, Berkley Street, Eynesbury.

LIST OF ICE CREAM REGISTRATIONS.

Obtain Ice Cream in packets or containers. Stored in Refrigerator.

Mrs. Childs, St. Mary's Street, Eynesbury.
Mr. Darrington, Berkley Street, Eynesbury.
Miss Fairweather, High Street, St. Neots.
Mr. Williamson, South Street, St. Neots.
Mrs. King, Cambridge Street, St. Neots.

Sell from Mobile Cars or Vans. Ice Cream made outside the District.

Antonio's, Bedford.
Holland, Creameries, Bedford.
Soloman and Wexper, Leyton.

Ice Cream made in separate premises at the rear; sold from barrow in street.

E. Hedge, Peacock Inn, Cambridge Road, St. Neots.

Ice Cream mixed in Bakery. Small electric refrigerator.

A. Wheeler, Priory Café, Market Square, St. Neots.

Registration refused. Premises not considered suitable.

H. S. Morehen, The Crescent, St. Neots.

MEAT INSPECTION REPORT.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned during year 1916, at the Ministry of Food Slaughterhouse, Eynesbury.

Total No. Slaughtered.—Cattle excluding Cows 1,353, Cows 293, Calves 639, Sheep and Lambs 2,818, Pigs 829.

Total No. Inspected.—Cattle (excluding Cows) 1,353, Cows 293, Calves 639, Sheep and Lambs 2,818, Pigs 829.

DISEASES OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS.

Whole Carcases Condemned.—Cows 6, Calves 4, Sheep and Lambs 2, Pigs 10.

Parts or Organs of Carcases Condemned.—Cattle excluding Cows 501, Cows 32, Calves 4, Sheep and Lambs 131, Pigs 79.

Percentage of Carcases affected with diseases other than T.B.—Cattle (excluding Cows) 37.02 per cent., Cows 12.969 per cent., Calves 1.252 per cent., Sheep and Lambs 4.67 per cent., Pigs 10.736 per cent.

CARCASES AFFECTED WITH TUBERCULOSIS.

Whole Carcases Condemned.—Cattle (excluding Cows) 10, Cows 12, Calves 5, Pigs 5.

Parts or Organs of Carcases Condemned.—Cattle (excluding Cows) 271, Cows 125. Calves 3. Pigs 119.

Percentage of Carcases affected with Tuberculosis.—Cattle (excluding Cows) 20.77 per cent., Cows 46.758 per cent., Calves 1.252 per cent., Pigs 14.9578 per cent.

Summary of meat and other articles of food which were found to be diseased and unwholesome and were destroyed.

Beef 29,217 lbs., Veal 703 lbs., Mutton 391 lbs., Pork 3,408 lbs., Fish 172 lbs., Fruit and Tinned Foods 145 lbs., Manufactured Meat 1,592 lbs, Miscellaneous 234½ lbs., Total 35,862½ lbs.

WATER SUPPLY.

ST. NEOTS AND EYNESBURY.

Source of Supply, viz:—Public Supply. Both the parishes of St. Neots and Eynesbury are in the main, supplied from the Council's Water Undertaking. The few remaining private wells are being slowly discarded and the premises concerned connected to the Town's Mains Services.

Sufficiency or otherwise.—The supply has been satisfactorily maintained throughout the year. The commencement of the proposed works to improve and augment the existing supply has not materialised during the year.

Quality of Water.—Satisfactory.

Whether Analysis has been made during the year and the result of any such Analysis.—Satisfactory. Several times all satisfactory. Lab. ref. no. 19-2-46. No. 1 Pumping Station, no B.Coli in 100 mls. No. 2 Pumping Station, no B.Coli in 100 mls. No. 1 14-6-46, no B.Coli, No. 2, no B.COLI (Lab. ref. no. J729). After Serious Flood, March 16th, 17th and 18th, 1947. 21-3-47, Lab. ref. no. 6153, No. B.Coli. 11-4-47, Lab. ref. no. 7199, no B.Coli. Lab. Report: This water is Satisfactory. This is rather remarkable because the contents of several pail closets were washed into the surrounding country.

I would like to place on record my gratitude and appreciation of the kindly help and invariable courtesy of my colleagues: Mr. H. A. Walker (Assistant Clerk), Mr. Glover (Sanitary Inspector), Mr. Mawby (Waterworks Engineer), as well as the Chairman and individual members of the Council. During the twenty-six years which I have been M.O.H. it has always been a pleasure to serve this Council, and I regret that advanced age compels me to resign.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, Lady and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

E. J. CROSS.

TOMSON & LENDRUM, LTD., ST. NEOTS.